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Meeting Minutes

UTAH SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ANTI-VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Wednesday, September 14, 2005

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

State Capitol Complex, East Building – Beehive Room

Members Present: Gary Jorgensen, Harold Morrill, Verne Larsen, Paula Price, Dale Schipaanboord, Richard Melton, Brent Kelsey, Mark Payne, Dan Becker, Merrill Carter, Michael Kwan, Judy Kasten Bell (for Craig Harrison), Anna Kay Waddoups, Chris Buttars, Sherm Watkins, Lou Callister, Dan Maldonado

Members Excused: Michele Christiansen, Commissioner Bill Cox, Scott Duncan, Fotu Katoa, Brandon Hatch, Patti Harrington, Terry Russo, Mayor JoAnn Seghini, Paul Tittensor, Kirk Torgensen

Guests: Jack Tanner, Deborah Davidson, Peg Stewart, Tim Whalen

CCJJ Staff: Monica Taylor, Mary Lou Emerson, Mike Haddon, Tom Patterson, Julie Christenson

Agenda Item: Welcome, Introductions, and Chair's Report

Gary Jorgensen welcomed all present and introductions were made.

- **Approval of June 8, 2005 Minutes**

Motion: Merrill Carter made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of June 8, 2005. The motion was seconded by Harold Morrill and was unanimously approved.

Agenda Item: Recognition

Susan Burke was recognized and thanked for her outstanding work during the years she served as Director of the USAAV Council.

Agenda Item: DORA Update

- **Review and Approve Edits to Guidelines**

Mary Lou Emerson noted that the Council reviewed and approved the DORA Implementation Guidelines in the last meeting and since that time there have been some minor edits made to them. She reviewed these changes to the Guidelines with the Council.

Motion: Harold Morrill made a motion to accept the changes to the Guidelines. The motion was seconded by Brent Kelsey and was unanimously approved.

- **Update on Salt Lake County Pilot Study**

Mike Haddon reported that the U of U Criminal and Juvenile Justice Research Consortium has been subcontracted by CCJJ to conduct the DORA study. They have that process underway, have signed the contract, and have gone through their institutional review board. They also have begun working with Deborah Davidson (AP&P) on data.

Senator Buttars asked how many offenders have been sentenced to the DORA program. Deborah Davidson passed out a pie chart that summarized the activity they have had with DORA so far.

They are still in the start-up stage, and it is going more slowly than they hoped it would go, but everything is in place and referrals are starting to come in. She explained that the largest piece of the pie represents individuals who have been referred, and it also includes about eight individuals who have gone through the evaluation process. They have had their PSI interview, been referred to Salt Lake County, been evaluated, and the recommendation is forthcoming to the court for their sentencing. Of the 46 people they have received since July 1st, 28 are still potential candidates.

Agenda Item: Committee Reports

- **DUI Committee**

- **Plea in Abeyance Study Recommendation**

Anna Kay Waddoups reported that unless something is done with the option to use a plea and abeyance in certain DUI cases in the 2006 Legislative Session, it will sunset. She also noted that at the DUI Committee meeting yesterday, Mike Haddon and Julie Christenson presented on what they have found thus far with the plea in abeyance study. The committee took a vote on this; there were only seven committee members present, and of the seven, six were in favor of continuing plea in abeyance, and one member abstained. They will be re-voting on this issue at their next meeting.

Motion: Harold Morrill made a motion that USAAV adopt the recommendation the DUI Committee takes at its October meeting, recognizing the full report will come after that and will be reviewed. Senator Buttars seconded the motion and explained that he thinks we need to have every tool possible in our basket. The motion was unanimously approved.

- **Ignition Interlock (IID) Legislation**

Anna Kay mentioned that there is legislation in place for Ignition Interlock and that the Committee will further study this at their next meeting and come up with a recommendation to be presented at the next USAAV meeting.

- **2005 Annual Report to Legislature**

Mary Lou Emerson will present the annual DUI Report to the Legislature on October 19, 2005.

- **Alcohol Funds Request**

The committee received a letter from the Logan City Police Department, requesting approval to use their alcohol funds to purchase a police car. The Council discussed this issue and reviewed the statute.

Motion: Senator Buttars made a motion to deny this request and to send a letter explaining the statute and congratulating them on their efforts. Harold Morrill seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Gary Jorgensen and Mary Lou Emerson will prepare this letter.

- **Substance Abuse Services Committee**

- **Proposed E.A.S.Y. Legislation**

Harold Morrill referred the Council to the E.A.S.Y. (Eliminate Alcohol Sales to Youth) proposed legislation in their packets. He explained that this was presented at their meeting last week and they had an extensive discussion about it. The only concern that he has is having multiple roles being assigned to different agencies in State government. Mary Lou put together a summary sheet for their Committee that showed the respective roles of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, Law Enforcement, and the State Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health. Harold hopes that before the Council endorses the E.A.S.Y. legislation, they will really pay attention to what roles these State agencies will play. He also noted that they have not seen the final draft of this bill.

- **Utah Prevention Advisory Council**

Verne Larsen reported that the Utah Prevention Advisory Council (UPAC) has been very helpful at bringing together the different agencies providing prevention services. UPAC is a sub-group of the State Board of Substance Abuse and Mental Health and was put in place because of a federal funding requirement of the SICA and SIG-E grants. When these grants end there is a question of what will happen to UPAC. We will hopefully be able to maintain UPAC after these grants end.

- **Interagency Cooperative Agreement**

Verne Larsen referred the Council to the Interagency Cooperative Agreement in their packets and explained that it is an agreement among the agencies that currently receive funds for prevention. This document will be presented at one of the Governor's Cabinet meetings for signatures. The intent of this is to get all agencies doing prevention on the same page in terms of terminology, goals, and outcomes.

- **First Lady Huntsman's *Power in You* Initiative**

Verne Larsen reported that he has been involved in the First Lady's initiative as it has impacted the schools. The idea for the program came about when First Lady Huntsman's daughter was diagnosed with diabetes. They found that talking with someone who was dealing with the same problem was very helpful. The First Lady then decided to broaden this concept to address other issues youth are facing, such as substance abuse, eating disorders, cancer, mental health problems, etc. The First Lady has identified "ambassadors," young people who have met a variety of challenges successfully, and who will present a positive message to youth, including ambassadors who have overcome alcohol or other drug problems. The USAAV Substance Abuse Services Committee has expressed a concern because the use of recovering individuals has not been found to be an effective prevention strategy when dealing with youth.

Motion: Harold Morrill made a motion that each of the USAAV Committee chairs meet with the First Lady to brief her about substance abuse prevention activities in the state and to address the concern about using recovering individuals. Senator Buttars seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Verne will contact the First Lady's office to set up the meeting.

- **Teen Dating Violence Workgroup**

- **Proposed Protective Order Legislation**

Ned Searle reported that there is a National Teen Dating Violence Coordinating Council and they have designated the week of February 6, 2006 as National Teen Dating Violence Awareness Week. Utah will be putting some things together for the week.

He also mentioned that a team from the Teen Dating Violence Prevention Workgroup presented to the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee. The presentation was very well received and very positive, and they have gotten some good feedback and some things to follow up on. Fourteen states at this time do not include dating violence in their definitions of domestic violence; in these states youth victims are not eligible for protective orders. Ned told the Council that they want to add a couple of definitions to Utah's statutes that will allow youth victims of dating violence to get protective orders. He went over these definitions and the Council gave him feedback. Senator Buttars volunteered to sponsor the bill.

Agenda Item: 2005 USAAV Governor's Awards

- **Selection of Recipients**

Gary Jorgensen reviewed the nominees for the Governor's Awards.

Motion: Harold Morrill made a motion to select Deborah Davidson as a recipient of the Governor's Award (inside the system) for her work with DORA. Dan Becker seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Motion: Senator Buttars nominated Susan Burke as an inside the system recipient and made a motion to select her as one of the recipients for her work with DORA. Lou Callister seconded the motion.

The Council discussed the possibility of having more than one person inside and/or outside the system to receive the awards.

Motion: Harold Morrill made a motion to give a dual award for DORA, with Senator Buttars and Susan Burke as co-recipients outside the system. Dan Becker reminded the Council that Susan is still inside the system in her new position with the Juvenile Court.

Final Motion: Dan Becker and/or Merrill Carter made a substitute motion that the Council give the Governor's Awards to Susan Burke, Deborah Davidson, and Senator Buttars for their excellent work with DORA. Lou Callister seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Agenda Item: Other Business

- **4th Annual Recovery Day – September 17, 2005**

Mary Lou reminded the Council about the 4th Annual Recovery Day, which will be held at the Gallivan Center.

- **National Meeting of the States on Preventing Underage Alcohol Use – October 31 – November 1, 2005**

Mary Lou reported that a letter was sent to the Governor Huntsman from Secretary Leavitt inviting Utah to participate in this National Meeting. Utah will have the opportunity to send a seven-member team, which will include representation from the Governor's Office and from the fields of prevention, enforcement, education, highway safety, health, and alcohol control. Governor Huntsman's office has asked her to head up this team and she will be working with the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention to identify the other team members.

- **NAMSDL 2nd National Methamphetamine Legislative & Policy Conference – November 30 – December 2, 2005**

Mary Lou mentioned that the National Alliance will pay for one person, designated by the Governor, to attend this conference. Others may attend at their own expense.

Agenda Item: Other

- Senator Buttars suggested that taxing pornography be put on the agenda for the next meeting and that we should consider Legislation on this issue.
- Judge Kwan mentioned that they would be having a Statewide DUI Court Meeting on September 29th. He also noted that about a year ago his court started a Minor in Possession of Alcohol program, to address some of the underage issues.
- Dan Becker reported that since the Council last met, the first ever Utah Drug Court Conference was held. They thought they would have 100 participants and they ended up having over 250 people attend.

Agenda Item: Next Meeting

The next USAAV Meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2005, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Governor's Mansion.